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RICHARD S. SMEAD has been named patriarch in the San Leandro stake. Sustained at a recent conference, he was set apart by Elder Harold B. Lee, a friend and former neighbor. Brother Smead was serving as stake clerk for President Milton P. Ream. He came to the Bay area from Salt Lake City more than 20 years ago; has served as first Bishop of the Burlingame ward; was called to be Bishop of San Lorenzo ward; has held president's office in all his quorums from deacon to high priest; has served three stake missions, two of them as mission president.



FRANCES SHELBY BENIAMS will be organist for the regular first Sunday of the Month recital at the Interstake center, November 4, at 4 p.m. The concert series is sponsored as regular free public service by the four Presidencies of Hayward, San Leandro, Walnut Creek and Oakland-Berkeley stakes. Frances Beniams got her early training with her mother, a well-known Utah musician, Vilate McKinnon Shelby; studied organ at Brigham Young University with J. Z. Keeler, and in California with Ludwig Altman. For several years she was organist for Berkeley First ward and for the past six years has been regular organist at the Second Church of Christ Scientist, Berkeley. She has been active in the American Guild of organists and is married to Dr. Herman N. Beniams of Cutter Laboratories.

Swedish Research For Phil Squires

Dr. Phil Squires and family of Berkeley Second ward have gone to Upsala, Sweden, where Dr. Squires will be engaged in a year of research work at the University. He has been awarded a Cancer Foundation scholarship in the field of biochemistry.

All Lived In Presence Of God, Says JFS

"There isn't a soul here who has not seen God the Father . . . we lived with him in his presence," testified Joseph Fielding Smith, president of the Council of Twelve Apostles when he addressed sessions of the Oakland-Berkeley Stake quarterly conference Sept. 2 at the Eastbay Interstake center.

The time may come, he said when people on this earth will go to other planets and other people will come here—but not until the Lord wishes it, he declared.

Testifying that he sees God in nature and sees him mentally in scripture, he urged all members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to read and study the scriptures in a spirit of humility and faith.

"I know from reading the Book of Mormon that it is true. We can know this and we don't need an angel to come to us," he said.

He reminded members that they live among people who are just as sure as we are that they are on the right road, and urged members to grow in knowledge and love and understanding that they participate in the "every member a missionary program."

A surprise highlight of the afternoon session was a duet by President Smith and his wife Jessie Evans Smith.

Morning session speakers were: Elmo R. Smith, first counselor and W. Paul Summerhays, second counselor, in the Oakland-Berkeley stake presidency; Sister Jessie Evans Smith and President Smith.

Afternoon speakers were Oakland-Berkeley Stake President O. Leslie Stone who urged members to keep the gospel in their lives and open their hearts and their homes to investigators; Joyce Ann Obree of Richmond ward; Lawrence de Berry of Oakland Fourth; Hortense Carpenter of Berkeley Second; returned missionaries Loretta Johnson from the British mission and David Shore from the Spanish American (both of Richmond ward); Sister Jesse Smith and President Joseph Fielding Smith.

Farewell Honors Don Carpenter

Don Carpenter, who is assigned to the Swiss-German mission, was honored at a farewell testimonial at the Berkeley Second ward, August 19.

Jet Trip To Temple Planned

A large group of Bay Area members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints are planning to fly by jet to the Los Angeles Temple and return the same day.

For the November 3 temple excursion, the Oakland-Berkeley stake is sponsoring the flight in place of the usual bus and automobile trip to assist those who wish to shorten the time away from business or who find themselves unable to stand the strain of the longer trip.

The trip originates at the San Francisco International Airport at 7 a.m. for a scheduled 55-minute flight to the Los Angeles airport, and bus transportation to the temple in time for the 9:15 a.m. session. After the morning session there will be lunch in the temple cafeteria, a second endowment ses-



JOEL P. GOLD, right, new second counselor in the Hayward Stake presidency, is offered best wishes by Elder Harold B. Lee after he was sustained at the September quarterly conference. A vacancy was created in the Presidency when Sterling Nicolaysen was called to serve as president of a mission in Brazil. Photo by Charles Ruiz.

S. F. Stake Buys Welfare Farm

The purchase of a Stake Welfare Farm was recently announced by San Francisco Stake President Irven G. Derrick. The new venture, 20 acres in size, is situated about 3 miles south of the town of Half Moon Bay, in Higgins Creek Canyon. Although it is not all flat land, most of it can be cultivated for planting vegetables or cut flowers, or both. The new site includes a creek, and it is proposed to erect a dam which will create better irrigation facilities. Already the land has been cleared of tall, wild weeds and grasses by stake members. Being only 4 miles from the San Mateo Stake Farm, it is possible the same supervision and equipment can be used for both operations. The purchase price, \$39,500, was taken from proceeds from the sale of the Stake Welfare Building in Daly City.

Harold B. Lee Dedicates San Lorenzo Chapel

Elder Harold B. Lee of the Council of the Twelve recently dedicated the San Lorenzo Ward Chapel in San Leandro Stake. Stake President Milton P. Redaom also attended.

Four former bishops and the two currently serving participated in the program which was conducted before an overflowing congregation. Offering prayers and talks were Bishops Orval L. Ostler, Richard S. Smead and Douglas P. Larson of the original ward; Don Low Carter, first bishop of the Second San Lorenzo Ward with Richard R. Shumway and Delvar R. Carter presently presiding over the First and Second Wards, respectively.

Created by combining parts of Hayward and San Leandro Wards, the San Lorenzo Ward has been a unit in three stakes, Oakland, Hayward and more recently San Leandro. Since its conception it's membership has increased to the point that it was divided but both congregations continued to work together until the indebtedness was canceled.

Constructed of red brick, the structure accommodates the two memberships and at one time housed the Castro Valley Ward. It also serves the offices of the stake presidency and houses the Stake baptismal room and front. Final cost of the meeting house was approximately \$300,000 which included all furnishings.

President Ream spoke briefly and musical numbers were presented by members of both wards. Elder Lee pronounced the dedicatory prayer.

Ground Broken For New Chapel In Livermore

By Patricia Hrig

September 5 marked the beginning of a dream-come-true for Livermore Ward, and it is the big news we're telling our friends. Since we were organized as a branch in 1949, the IOOF Hall is the only home we have known. Now a ward of over 750 people, our goal of a chapel of our own is finally within view.

On Sept. 5 we met at our Mocho Street building site, in an area roped off that will eventually enclose our 331-seat chapel, to watch Frank Nelson, representing the first Branch Presidency, Andrew Gardner, first Bishop, and present Bishop Glen Behling break ground for the 18,000 sq. ft. building we hope to complete within two years.

President Francis Winkel and Bishop Behling spoke briefly and Jim Ruff, who has been responsible for raising the funds necessary to start, narrated the actual ground breaking. Prayers were offered by David Cummings, now of Danville Ward, and Max Parker, now of Los Gatos II Ward, who were counselors in the first Bishopric organized in 1958.

Joe Steenblich had marked off the entire area of the \$310,000 building as it will be situated on the lot. We now have as many as four classes meeting in the corners of one large room, but our new building will provide 25 separate teaching areas. We're looking to the future!

Two Wards Offer Evening Of Song

"An Evening of Song" featuring the University of California Glee club and Treble Clef Society, will be offered Friday, November 16, at 8 p.m. at the Eastbay Interstake Center.

More than 50 members will present selected LDS hymns, songs of Thanksgiving, and a varied repertoire of songs to fit everyone's taste and interest.

Contributions will benefit the Lafayette-Orinda ward building program.



THOMAS S. FERGUSON, nationally known archaeologist, author, and Book of Mormon historian will present "The Book of Mormon in Cinerama" at the Centerville chapel on Peralta and Temple way, in Fremont, Oct. 5. The 380th Quorum of Seventy, Hayward Stake, in cooperation with the Hayward Stake missionaries will present the program.



JOSEPH FIELDING SMITH, president of the Council of the Twelve Apostles of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, presided over a quarterly conference of the San Francisco Stake September 29-30. General sessions Sunday at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. were conducted by Stake President Irvin Glade Derrick.

San Ramon

Cherie Tower
New President

The San Ramon Relief Society branch has been reorganized with Cherie Tower as president and Evelyn Heinzman and Patricia DeWitt as counselors; Iris Saari is secretary. Their opening social Sept. 26 at the De Witt home featured a presentation honoring past president Barbara Gifford.

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Services For
John Coulter

Funeral Services were conducted August 25 at the Oakland Third ward chapel for John B. Coulter. Bishop Eugene S. Hilton officiated.

An active member of the Oakland Third ward, and a frequent helper at the cannery, and for many years a worker and supervisor of ushering for stake meetings (in the Oakland Stake and later in the Oakland-Berkeley stake) he was member of the 247th quorum of Seventy.

Brother John was born in South Dakota, 38 years ago. He is survived by his wife Nannette E. Coulter; and children Diane Lynne, John B., Jr., and Corey Elizabeth. He is also survived by his mother Mrs. Lou C. Locke of Rapid City, South Dakota; a brother, Donald of San Carlos; sisters Mrs. Irene Ebbage of Fremont; Mrs. Audrey Reeder of Lemmon, South Dakota and Mrs. Phyllis Staten Dearborn, Michigan.

Earl L. Amtoft
Named Bishop

Earl Leo Amtoft has been sustained as the new Bishop of the Richmond Ward. Exactly one year ago he was set apart as second counselor to former Bishop Harold E. DeLaMare. Sustained as counselors were William F. Charles and James Adams.

Bishop Amtoft is the son of Christeen Marie Andersen and the late Lars Peter Anderson Amtoft and was born in Salt Lake City. He married Emma Lavern Hawkins in the Salt Lake Temple and they have one son and two daughters. The Amtoft family previously resided in Provo, Utah; Berkeley, Redwood City and Lafayette, California. He is Area Supervisor of the Maintenance and Construction Division, East Bay Municipal Utility District.

First Counselor William F. Charles was born in Salt Lake City, moving with his parents to Council Bluffs, Iowa, where he attended elementary and high school. After spending four years in the Air Force he attended and graduated in accounting from BYU in 1961. He married LaWona H. Dix in the Salt Lake Temple in 1959 and has two daughters, Deborah and Lisa. At present he is an accountant for California Packing.

James Adams is a convert to the church and has shown great love for the youth of the ward as Scoutmaster, Deacon Quorum Advisor (for five years), Scout Committee Chairman, and age Group Counselor in MIA. In 1945 he married Flora C. Gain of Oakland Ward and they have two sons and two daughters. Jim is truck dispatcher for Beckman Express Company.

Top Salesman

The year's top salesman among New York Life's 6,000 agents is Rulon E. Rasmussen, president of the Phoenix North Stake Mission. He shows more than \$4 million worth of insurance placed.



NELPHER SWENSON, active member of the church in the Bay Area since 1943, was eulogized at funeral services conducted in San Francisco, by Bishop Curtis McMullin of the Oakland ward. Brother Swenson passed away Aug. 31, 1962, at the Southern Pacific hospital in San Francisco.

N. Swenson
Services Held

Funeral services were held Sunday, September 2, for Nelpher Swenson, under the direction of Oakland Ward, Oakland-Berkeley Latter-day Saints. The services were held in the Gantner-Felder-Kenny chapel in San Francisco. Interment was in Ogden, Utah. He was 78 years old.

Mr. Swenson, who died August 31, in San Francisco, is survived by his wife, Myrtle R. Swenson of the Oakland ward; and children, Leon N. Swenson and Golden R. Swenson of San Francisco; Mrs. Vendla E. Hadlock and M. Grant Swenson of Ogden, Utah. He is also survived by a brother, Wayne Swenson of Ogden. He leaves a posterity of 10 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

A member of the High Priests Quorum of Oakland-Berkeley stake; he was active in the old San Francisco ward on Hayes street where he lived from 1943 to 1956, when he moved to Oakland.

Within the last three years of his life, Brother Swenson did 1,033 endowments in the Los Angeles Temple and 101 in the Logan Temple.

He always commented that he was happy to do this work, and constantly expressed appreciation for his wife who made it possible for him to have all of his clothes ready for the trip and encouraged him in his work.

He was born of pioneer parents who moved to the United States from Sweden: Karl Charles Swenson and Matilda Margaret Voight. Nelpher was born March 6, 1884 in Harrisville, Utah.

Walnut Creek

President McKay
Has Birthday

By Dorothea Marker

The Walnut Creek ward Junior Sunday School celebrated President David O. McKay's birthday when Oral Burrows, coordinator, presented each child with a cupcake. Changes in the Junior Sunday School are: Aljean Blake will be chorister, assisted by Susan Hilton; Lila Steele will assist in the Nursery class; and Ruth Morgan is substituting for Karen Stoh who is on leave of absence.

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Pray Ye Always

By Mabel B. Liddell

Jared and his associates were guided through an uncharted, hitherto unknown wilderness, because, "the Lord did go before them and did talk with them as he stood in a cloud and gave directions whither they should travel."

However, when they reached the security of the seashore, they apparently settled down complacently and forgot this loving care—for in four long years they didn't even think to pray.

"And it came to pass at the end of four years that the Lord came again unto the brother of Jared, and stood in a cloud and talked with him. And for the space of three hours did the Lord talk with the brother of Jared, and chastened him because he remembered not to call upon the name of the Lord."

How like the Jaredites we become in our self sufficiency. How often we need reminding!

Vivacious, lovely Sylvia Derrick, now living in San Francisco, had an unforgettable experience a few years ago that will serve to remind all of us of the importance of prayer in everything we do.

At the close of her freshman year in college at Brigham Young University, she stayed in Provo a week after school closed in order to watch the graduation exercises. By so doing, she arrived home in Atlanta, Georgia too late to apply for the ordinary summer jobs.

She went about exploring every possible job opening for a week - but there just didn't seem to be any opportunities left. She hadn't prayed to ask the Lord's help. She simply went about her venture in an independent manner - perhaps feeling a little over-confident in her own ability. In her own words:

"One morning I noticed an advertisement in the paper for a girl to work in a Loan Company, in a very undesirable location in the city. Feeling desperate, I went there, and was almost immediately hired. I was to start work the following morning but I felt ill at ease about my employer's action. I didn't know exactly what caused my feeling but it grew and by the time I reached home, I knelt and really and truly implored the Lord in humble prayer to guide me. I asked that if it were his will that I accept this job, he would show me in some manner. That very afternoon a lady at the bank called to offer me a position that I liked much better. I notified the loan Company of my decision.

"About two weeks later, I was shocked to read in the morning paper that the Loan Company where I had applied for work, had been robbed and a young girl had been murdered in the section. She had taken the job that I had been guided to refuse."

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Australian Mission

Radio, TV, Youth Program, "Coin" Increase Baptisms 40%

By Gay Taylor

They make converts by the flip of a coin in Australia. They're also enlisting non-Mormon television, radio and recording stars in the land Down Under in a dramatic youth program that has increased the number of baptisms by 40 per cent.

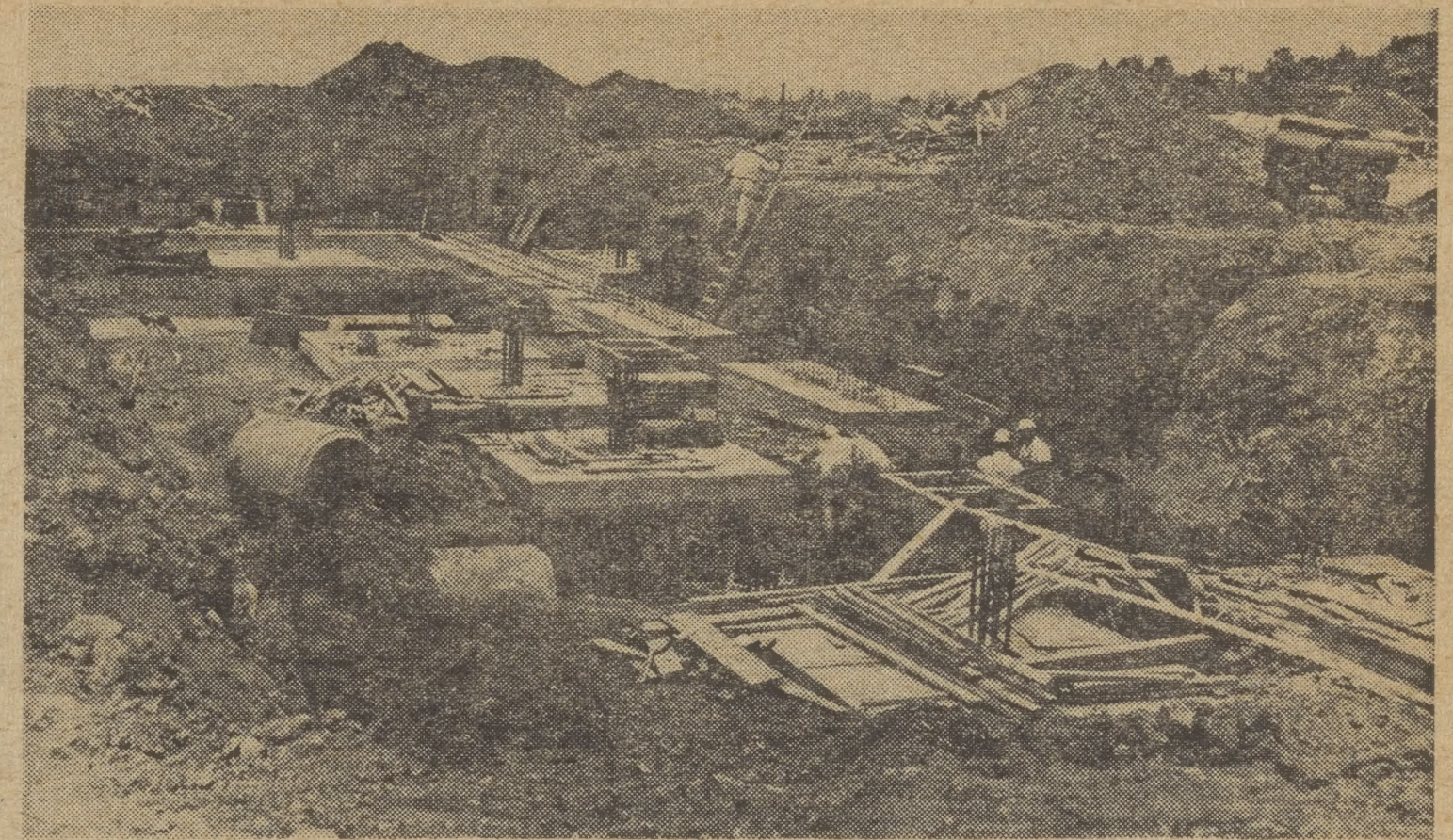
Such is the report of Elder Edward Arthur Wheeler of Palo Alto stake, just returned from two years in the Australian Mission. Part of Elders Wheeler's effort in the "Think Big" program consisted of two appearances on Brisbane's television station BTQ, where he did comedy songs and patter in the character of "Dr. Rudolph von Thinkinlittle." The station has a viewing audience of a million people.

The coins are of copper, the size of an Australian penny or an American half dollar. On one side is a big "E" (for Enthusiasm) together with the words "Do It Now," and "Organized Planning."

The other side has the letters PMA (for Positive Mental Attitude) enclosed by a triangle with its sides representing "Study," "Desire," and "Faith." There are also the words, "Mark 9:23," as a reminder of the verse, "All things are possible for him that believeth."

The current upsurge in baptism resulted from the establishment of a Youth Program in February of this year, under the direction of President Weldon V. Moore.

The following month, the first big youth program was held at the recreation hall of the Sydney Stake chapel. Elders Steve Hanson and Paul West decided they needed the best of everything, so they went to the top for it. They asked top-ranking television, radio and recording stars to perform for nothing—and found gracious acceptance. Some 900 young people crowded the hall for the big



LOOKING WEST toward the Golden Gate, this photo shows early stages of foundation work for the new Oakland Temple, as it was on September 17. The Messenger will print a picture each month so that readers can follow the steps in construction. Phot by Robert McCrea.

night, while hundreds more were turned away.

Big programs of this nature are scheduled every three months. Smaller activities are held week-

ly, in connection with the MIA.

In May, Elder Howard W. Hunter of the Council of Twelve visited the Australian Mission, and set as a goal 100 or more baptisms

per month, as compared to the rate of about 70 before the youth program began. Since President Moore was scheduled to be released the following month, the Elders made up their minds to beat a hundred as a going-away present.

President Moore received his going-away present, and under the new president of the mission, Dr. Morgan S. Coombs, the program is continuing.

"There are only two kinds of people in Australia," President Coombs announced at a mission conference, "those who are Mormons, and those who are going to be."

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Director is Fern Nelson who has acquired an enviable reputation in many stake dramatic productions. The author is La Mont Bench.

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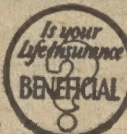
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The inspector of construction on the Oakland Temple is Arthur Price, a veteran member of the church architectural department in Salt Lake City. He did most of the work in preparing the approved architectural work on the Oakland Temple plans, and at his request was made "inspector of construction." His office is on the temple site.



JOSEPH ROY HILTON, Jr., was honored at a farewell testimonial August 26 in the Walnut Creek chapel. Joseph, son of President and Mrs. Joseph Hilton, will serve in the Eastern States Mission. Joseph's father was unable to attend the testimonial because he had to go to Peru on business, until October.

Nancy Bagnes, J. Latham Wed

In a ceremony at the Little Chapel of Flowers in Berkeley, Nancy Bagnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Bagnes, of Berkeley Second ward, became the bride of James R. Latham, son of Dr. and Mrs. Charles G. Latham of Salt Lake City. Bishop Dillworth Jensen of University ward performed the ceremony. A reception was held afterward in the University ward lounge and solarium.

Maid of honor was Joy Havens; flower girl, Barbara Dunham; and bridesmaids, Loretta Stirling and Miriam Muedeking. Best man was William Blackerby of Salt Lake City. Ushers were Dan Bagnes (Nancy's twin brother) Don Carpenter and Glen Kay.

A musical program at the reception featured a vocal duet by Gayle Evans and Don Carpenter; and violin and piano solos by Jeanie Hayes and Margaretha Brown.

After a honeymoon in Carmel, the young couple are making their home in Westlake. Jim is employed at Standard Oil Company in San Francisco and Nancy enrolled at San Francisco state college.

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General Authority To Visit Oct. 20

One of the general authorities, probably the one assigned to the Walnut Creek stake conference, will visit the October 20 Teacher Workshop in the Interstake center, according to Planning committee members Charles Houston of Oakland-Berkeley; Alfred Kopp of San Jose; and Byron Hovic of Palo Alto Stakes. The fall workshop for ALL teachers will open at 9:30 a.m. and run to 3:00 p.m. Theme of the one-day workshop is "The Spirit of Teaching"—with the acronym, "SPiRiT" made from: "Stimulating People Involvement Results In Testimonies."

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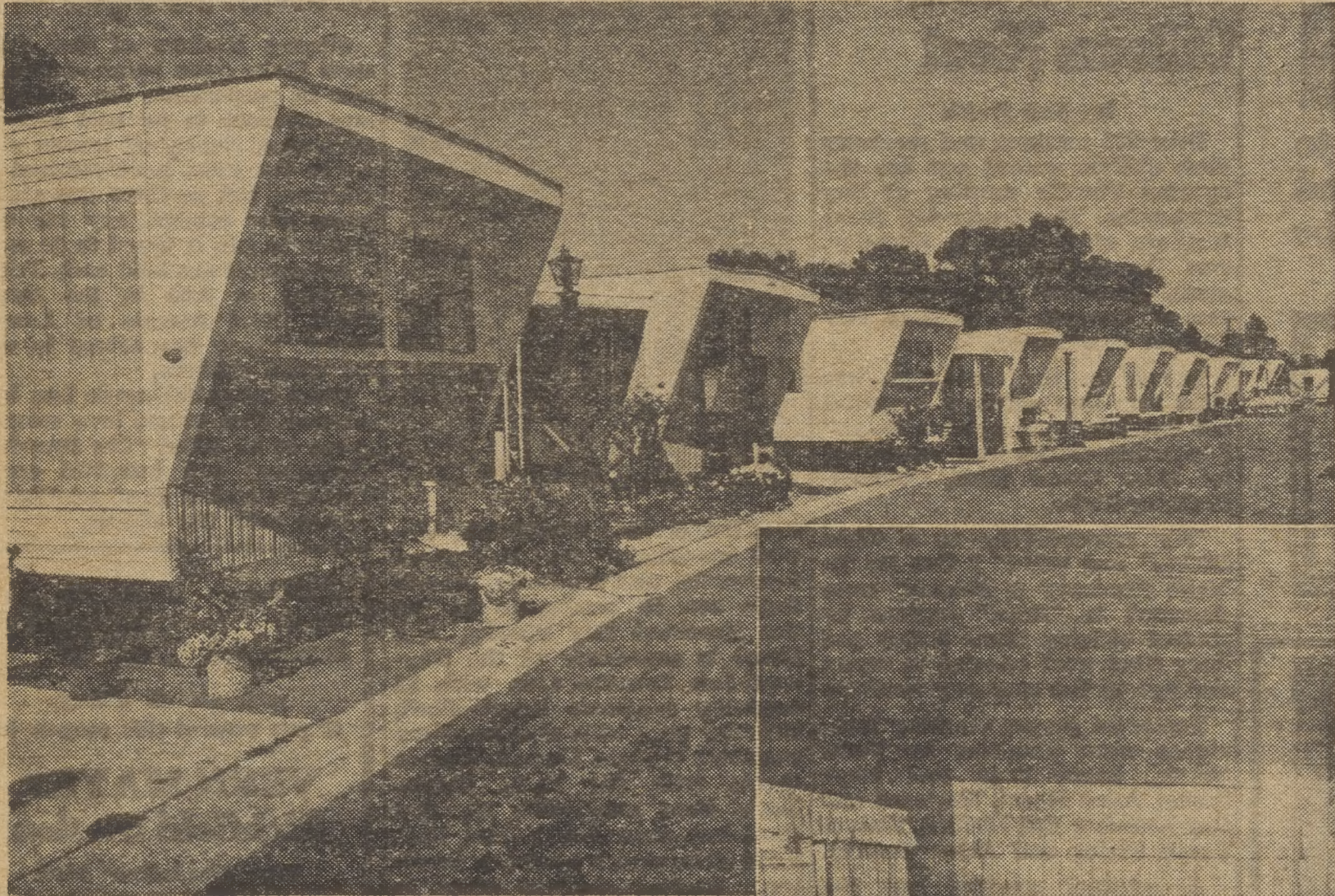
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Bay Seminary Teachers And Officers Meet

By Nell Smith

Over 200 teachers and seminary class officers turned out for the opening Faculty meeting of Bay Seminaries. The Latter-day Saint Institute of Religion in Berkeley, was the setting for panel and group discussions under the direction of Kenneth W. Godfrey, Bay District Coordinator.

Theme for the convention was "Not love that which is beautiful but beautiful that which is loved." Leadership classes were conducted by Elder Grant Cluff, Oakland-Berkeley Stake.

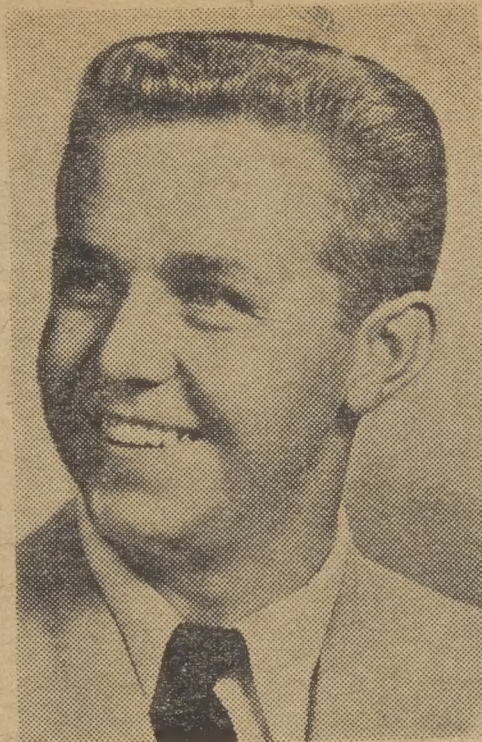
"My responsibility as a Class Officer" and What "I Can Do To Make Seminary a Success" were discussed in "Buzz" sessions by student officers. Mary Brisco and Judy King were selected to report findings to the seminary teachers.

Topics on proper teaching techniques were presented by Twila Ferrin, Santa Rosa and Napa Stake; Anna Hoem, Hayward and San Leandro; Bill Linford, Walnut Creek Stake; and Elder Godfrey.

A spiritual meeting was the second session which was highlighted by a talk by President Irvén Derrick, San Francisco Stake and chairman of the District Board of Education.

Seminary classes which all begin at 6:30 a.m. will number 65 with an approximate enrollment of 1500. The Bay District reaches as far north as Crescent City in Redding Stake, California. Brother Godfrey reports that enthusiasm runs high and many students who would not otherwise get a testimony of the Gospel will receive one through seminary.

A new illustrated edition of the "Book of Mormon" will add much to the course of study this year. This edition of the book contains over 80 colored illustrations and pictures and is printed in large readable type.



KENNETH W. GODFREY, district coordinator for Bay Area Seminaries and Institutes reports there are 59 seminaries in the San Francisco Bay District, Ann Hoem is supervisor of the Hayward-San Leandro area with 11 seminary teachers; Grant Cluff, Berkeley area with nine seminary teachers; William Linford, Walnut Creek, with 16; Twila Ferrin, Santa Rosa area with 15; San Francisco area has 5 and Redmont stake area 2 seminary teachers. Brother Godfrey lives in Concord.

Rehearsals For Stake Singing Mothers Begin

Singing Mothers of San Francisco Stake have resumed rehearsals in preparation for a Christmas Concert to be held early in December. Nearly all known singers in the stake have received invitations, but as there are always many new comers, any one who wishes to join is urged to do so.

Rehearsals are held each Friday morning at 9:30 in the Sunset Ward, 22nd Avenue at Lawton Street. There are sitters to care for small children.

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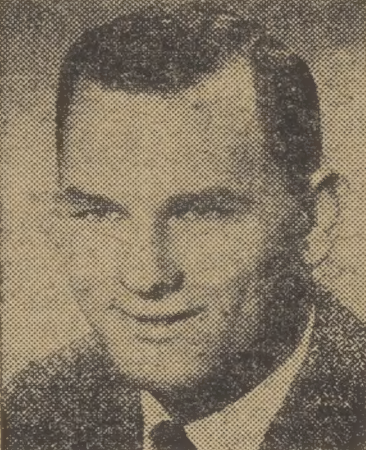
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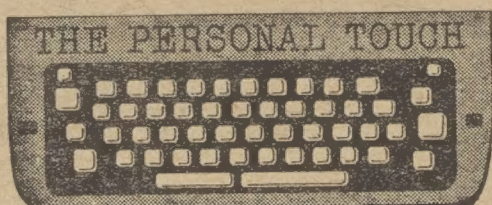
3-Stake Summer Camp Site Sold For State Park

The 230-acre, three-stake Recreation Center owned by San Jose, Palo Alto and San Mateo stakes in the Santa Cruz Mountains was sold recently by the stakes for \$250,000. The purchasers, the Varian Foundation, an electronics company in the Peninsula, will donate the total acreage to the State of California for a state park in honor of the late Varian brothers who as youths played in the recreation area and loved it very much.

As a State Park the area will be developed by the State, and as a result the three stakes will continue to enjoy the beautiful area in common with all citizens of the state.

During the recent years while the three stakes have been developing the 230-acre site in the Santa Cruz Mountains the two stakes of Palo Alto and San Mateo have continued their use of the Liahona Campsite in the High Sierras for their annual Girls Camp each summer. This use will continue in the future.

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San Francisco
Stake Welfare
Building Sold

The San Francisco Stake Welfare Building has been sold. The 15-year old structure, located on the corner of Dunk & Washington Sts in Colma was purchased by the State of California's Division of Highways. Although the Church did not particularly want to sell the memorable structure, the transfer was accomplished through the laws of "eminent domain." This law is the right of a government to take, or to authorize the taking of, private property for public use, just compensation being given to the owner. The just compensation in this case amounted to \$70,190.

This well beloved building was constructed in 1947 under the direction of the late J. Bryan Barton, stake president at the time. Although the official cost amounted to approximately \$41,000, it was constructed for the greater part by donated labor. During the early years, the stake operated the well established cannery on the ground floor. Hundreds of thousands of cans were filled with such fruits as peaches, pears, apple sauce, apricots and tomatoes, as well as jams from each of the fruits. Most of this canned fruit was wrapped with "DESERET" labels and shipped Salt Lake City for distribution from the Church Welfare Square. The cannery was also used by stake members for their own use.

A "Bishop's Storehouse" occupied the north east corner of the ground floor. Each week for years, Bishops would bring their welfare orders here to be filled. Br. Charles Friel was in charge of this store house during its entire life, and was assisted in filling orders and stockings shelves by various members over the years. He was also in charge of the entire operations of the building, which included a large woodworking shop on the ground floor, and a large "Pants Factory" on the second floor. The ladies from the Relief Society, assisted by some of the brethren, made thousands of pairs of trousers for men and boys. These, too, were shipped to the welfare program in Salt Lake for distribution.

This building has also served as location for a Sunday School, Seminary, Primary, Missionary instruction, welfare meetings, socials and other activities.

San Lorenzo II

Mel Danielson,
Superintendent

By Elverna Botts

New Sunday School superintendent is Mel Danielson with Bob Botts as first and Bill Glover as second counselors. Secretary is Tess Danielson.

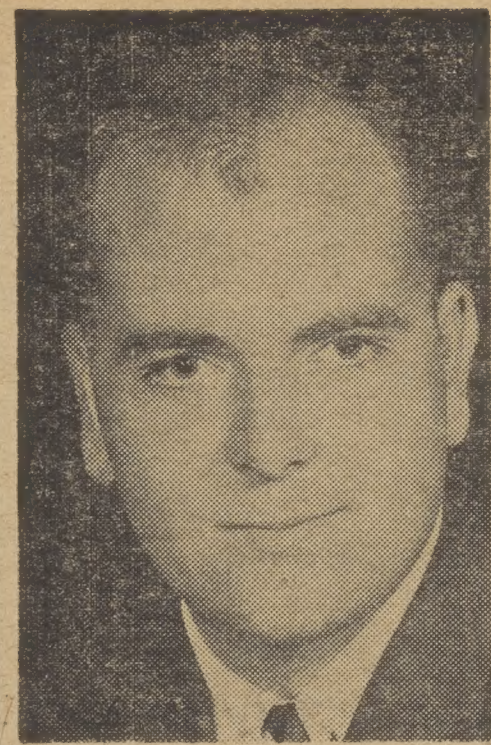
We want to thank everyone who helped in getting our ward ready for the dedication. The dedication and the ward dedication party were successful.

Elverna Botts is a new Golden Gleaner in our ward. Earl Remington has been ordained a Seventy and Bill Meine is Elders' Quorum president with Myrl Lindsey as first and Eugene Nickolette as second counselors; John Vastine, secretary. David Teague, John King, Elmer Davis and Wilbert Lemkau have been ordained Elders.

Baptised recently were: Jack Parkerill, Barbara Jessie, and Virginia Murphy.

New babies: Craig Kelly, son of Charles and Juanita Kelly; Kathy Glover, daughter of Bill and Betty Glover; Gregory Ely, son of Ray and Jean Ely; Marlene Case, daughter of Glen and Joyce Case.

We have two marriages in San Lorenzo Second ward: Vicki Crane and Wilbur Bigelow were married in the Los Angeles Temple; and Beverly Pollard and Ted Jacobsen in the Manti Temple.



STEPHEN RICHARD ATWOOD,
son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Atwood, was honored at a farewell testimonial in the Castro Valley ward chapel, Aug. 26. Elder Atwood reported to the mission home in Salt Lake City Sept. 10 and left for the Netherlands Sept. 17.

Economy, Topic
For TV Course

Part of a national effort to wipe out economic illiteracy in the United States began Monday Sept. 24 and Oct. 1 over 236 TV stations across the nation. It will run weekly on Mondays for 32 weeks.

Teaching the course will be Dr. John R. Coleman of Carnegie Institute of Technology, and 53 guest speakers including President Kennedy and Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The program is aimed at three groups: (1) teachers of economics (2) the general public and (3) college students.

A TV Study Guide for the series has been prepared and published by McGraw-Hill Book Company. For further information consult the University of California and the S.F. State College.

Berkeley II

Bishop Thanks
Ward Workers

By Olea B. Woolf

Bishop Richard W. Owens has this message for ward members: "As a Bishopric, we are extremely grateful to our ward and auxiliary officers who have recently been released. We want them to know how much we appreciate their splendid and untiring efforts. A vote of thanks is due Clifton D. Boyack who was released as second counselor in the Bishopric; Sister Bessie Roberts, president of the YWMA; and Sister Lucile Ream, president of the Relief Society. It has been a joy to work with such fine people. We are also grateful to everyone who is assisting with the canning projects rummage sale, and welfare potluck dinners. We feel that the Lord has blessed us in our activities and we are sure. He will continue to do so if we seek His guidance."

New second counselor to Bishop Owens is Ray Balmforth; Jean Smith is president of the YWMA with Janet Dunham and Martha Gill as counselors. Relief Society will be under the leadership of Grace Boyack, assisted by Marcelle Karpus, Janet Balmforth and Elsa Liotta. Elmer and Verona McCoy were co-chairman of the rummage sale, Aug. 23.

Mission Session

At the Missionary Saturday evening session of the Oakland-Berkeley Stake conference, September 1, speakers included: Oneta VanNoy, on rewards of missionary President John Hughes on accomplishments of the past year; W. Paul Summerhays of the Oakland-Berkeley stake presidency on accomplishments of 232 converts Joseph Fielding Smith, president of the Council of Twelve Apostles was concluding speaker.

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Oakland Fourth

Missionaries
Give Reports

Two Missionaries have recently returned to the Oakland Fourth ward and have given reports of their missions.

Frank Nackos reported his Swiss mission on September 16; and Frank R. Souza reported his Brazilian mission on Sept. 23. Frank Nackos, third of the James C. Nackos family to complete foreign missions (George Nackos is currently filling a French mission) has returned to Brigham Young University.

Plans are moving along for the ward's Super Welfare Dinner October 20. With strong support from ward members, the goal of \$2,000 can be reached.

The Sunday School Superintendency has been reorganized with Max Dunford as Superintendent; Fred Famariss continues as first counselor and Evan Barton will serve as second. Anthon Olson Sr. was released to serve a resident mission; and Carl Byers who had served as second counselor is seminary instructor.

Lola Reeve is new second counselor in the Oakland Fourth ward Relief Society, succeeding Margaret Brothers who had accepted a call to serve in the Oakland-Berkeley district of the Northern California mission.

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The Forty Niners State Societies of California, is planning a series of parties, October through February, for former residents of the 49 states who have moved to California. Dates will be announced soon. If you want further



MEMBERS AND LEADERS of Troop 38, Boy Scouts of America, Berkeley II Ward, were recently honored as one of 25 Outstanding Boy Scout Troops of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Certificates evidencing the recognition were presented at General Conference in Salt Lake City in June. Left to Right: Front Row: John Woolf, Gary Wood, Howard Bodily, Gordon Fullmer, Paul Ricks Second Row: Harvey Hulme, Blair Hale, William Young, Norman Pack, Richard Bodily Third Row: Robert Wallace, John Balmforth, Robert Hawkins, Michael Dubinsky, Donald Harris Fourth Row: Robert Owens, James Caswell, Howard Fullmer, Larry Roberts, Samuel W. Holmes, David Jensen, Jr. Asst. Scoutmaster. Rear Row: David K. Hulme, Scoutmaster; William V. Wallace, Committee Chairman; Oliver H. Fullmer, Leo Gill; William G. Gain, Asst. Scoutmaster; Clifton G. Boyack, Eamor Nord, Asst. Scoutmaster. Absent when picture was taken were: Howard L. Bodily, Asst. Scoutmaster; Ralph Haskell, Frank Hulme, Peter Jupp, and Dale Squire.

5,500 In Seminary

Some 5,500 high school students are now meeting in 225 seminary classes in the 29 stakes of Southern California.

information about your own state's reunion, telephone JOrdan 7-6322.

Awards Given
At Conference

Several awards were presented at the Sept. 2 general conference session of the Oakland-Berkeley Stake:

M. Dee Smith of the stake committee for Aaronic Priesthood under 21 presented the trophy for outstanding work for the second quarter to Bishop Richard Owens for the Berkeley Second ward.

J. Ward Green, Also of the high council, called on the Berkeley First ward MIA girls to be recognized for their work for the quarter. Earlier, they were given disks for their bracelets by Sister Jessie Evans Smith. Oakland Third ward placed second, Berkeley second was third and Oakland Fourth was fourth.

For senior softball competition: Cornell Jarman presented the first place trophy to Robert Martin representing the Oakland Fourth ward; and second place to Bishop George Pinckney for Alameda ward.

In Junior Softball, Byron Thinger, stake athletic director for Oakland-Berkeley, presented the first place trophy to Bishop Joseph Wood for Claremont ward; and the sportsmanship trophy to Bishop James Sabine for Berkeley first. Claremont won three of the play-off games and narrowly missed going to the finals in Salt Lake City.

15-Year Mutual
Leader Retires

Kirk Decker, for 15 years Superintendent of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association, first in Berkeley stake, then in Oakland-Berkeley stake, was released at the Sept. 2 conference for Oakland-Berkeley Stake. One of his counselors, Zendell Hale is serving in the district mission presidency. Another, Jay Brown was retained by the new MIA superintendent, Clifton D. Boyack. Jay Rex Gardner will be second assistant superintendent to Brother Boyack.

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Sunset Ward

Auxiliaries List
Officer Changes

By Jean Lauper

As Eugene and Beulah Morris have returned to Salt Lake City, Sister MMorris place as a counselor in the Relief Society will be filled by Marguerite Roehl. Javenta Gruver will be second counselor and Laura Rogers will continue as secretary. Teachers will be: Alice Brown, theology; Janete Hatles, social science; Naomi Bauman, literature; Alice Ray, visiting teachers message; and Mattie Brown, work day lesson. Alice Giles will continue as chorister with Connie Torrey as accompanist.

Superintendent Marion Allred of the Sunday School now has as assistants: Dr. Robert Hales and Vern Halverson. Gretchen Clark is conducting the Teacher-Training class, and Susan Hensom scourse 6 (the 8 and 9 year olds.)

Eilene Hanson has as her counselors in the YWMIA Diane Neff and Peggy Grover.

Relda Nielson has as counselors in the Primary Lenore Sheldon and Carol Redford.

September is the month when the young people go away to school and this year 11 have left Sunset ward. Going to the Y for their first year are Wilma Brown, Carla Morris, Dave Thomas, Peter Giles, April Aaron and Nancy Brown. Returning for their second year are Bonnie Lauper and Margaret McDonald. Carolyn Roberts and Nancy Roberts will be Juniors. Caron Smith has flown back to Smith College in Massachusetts for her Sophomore year. Bishop and Sister Giles drove their children back, taking time for a vacation while there.

Holger Larson of Salt Lake City has come to San Francisco for an indefinite stay with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Collett. Brother Larson can quite properly be called "Sir Holger" for he was knighted by the King of Denmark for outstanding service to his native land.

Gerda Sondergard returned recently from Europe where she spent two months visiting, mostly in Denmark, her former home.

Ralph and Ethel Ball visited the Northwest and Canada.

Dr. Phil and Patsy Jenkins have moved to Los Gatos. Phil graduated in dentistry this summer and will practice in Los Gatos.

The daughter of Bailey and Diane Neff was blessed by her father in the September fast meeting. John A. and Sandra Dana are the parents of a son to be named John A. Dana, Jr.

Rhea Larson is in a rest home, recovering from a stroke.

Mary Stoneking has been transferred by her company, I. Magnin, to Portland, where she has been given a more important responsibility.

Carol Bates has returned from a European trip and will return to Mills College. She is a brilliant violinist.

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Los Altos Elder Pilots "Accion" To Help Venezuelan Slum Dwellers

How a 24-year old returned Guatemalan LDS missionary from Los Altos, Palo Alto Stake, with a couple of dozen other young Californians acted to improve the lot of poor Venezuelan slum dwellers, is reported in the September Readers Digest.

The five page report is titled "Accion." You'll want to read the details for yourself.

The Messenger has learned about Accion and about Elder Rodmar H. Pulley from direct-correspondence with him and from the San Jose Mercury-News.

Rod likens ACCION to a private Peace Corps for encouraging self-help in slum areas in Latin America. The organization receives no financial aid from either the United States or the Venezuelan governments. Its support comes mostly from contributions from business firms in both countries, some 80 in number, plus additional aid from philanthropic sources.

ACCION is composed of volunteer American college youths who have almost a religious zeal to labor among the depressed masses in Latin America and stimulate them in self-help projects of community betterment. The average allowance to these youths is only about \$140 per month compared to the \$900 a month for Peace Corp members average cost of the U.S. government.

Elder Pulley is now a senior at San Jose State College and plans next year to enter Hastings Law College in San Francisco.

How did the ACCION movement start? How did Rodmar Pulley become a part of it? It all started with a 28-year old Californian, Joseph H. Blatchford who worked his way through the University of California at Berkeley. He became his class president, a top tennis player, took a job in Washington in the office of a Congressman, but soon returned and entered a California law school.

A big topic at the time was the anti-American students riots in Latin America. Vice President Richard Nixon was mobbed, remember, in just such a student riot. Joe Blatchford and a group of seven other college students "boned up" on Spanish and toured 30 Latin American Cities in a youth-to-youth goodwill effort, putting on exhibition tennis

matches with local tennis champs while the others of the group would put on jazz sessions.

Blatchford was convinced that the Latin American hatred of The United States arose because the people had evolved under the "patron system" of always looking to somebody above you to get things for you. The United States was looked upon by them in a rich father image. Since America couldn't possibly satisfy all economic demands made on her there resulted mutual feelings of futility and a rebellious anti-Americanism, fanned by infiltrated Communists.

The evident answer was to help Latin Americans rely upon themselves in solving their economic problems. Joe resolved to help the have-nots lift themselves by having U.S. collegians devote themselves to these efforts. He gave his spare time to canvassing California campuses for student support and seeking the support of our educators and our U.S. Ambassador. He also raised the necessary 90,000 for the beginning year's effort.

In the fall of 1961 the first band of 330 ACCION volunteers arrived in Venezuela after two weeks orientation at Stanford University. Rodmar Pulley preceded them by a month to prepare for their orientation in that country. After the group spent two months in Venezuela in intensive Spanish instruction plus lectures on that nation's history, politics and economics, they fanned out into the barrios among the most needy communities.

What has happened to date? A dozen or more communities have been started on self-help projects. Take one example. Barrio La Laja lies on the edge of a new iron mining town, San Felix. Into this slum accumulation of mud and wattle huts, naked children, and rooting hogs came Talton Ray, 22, and David Smith, 20, of ACCION. They rented a tiny house and moved in without any publicity.

Nothing a need for recreation facilities they suggest a court for playing Venezuela's favorite bowling game. Catching the interest of the people by demonstration a portable, hand-operated machine for making building blocks out of earth and a tiny amount of cement, they soon had a dozen alert teen-age boys at work. After the bowling court was completed they men of the community pitched in to build a volleyball court, and then to level the dirt street. They continued on to calcimine house fronts and to plant flowering trees.

Water for the area had to be bought from venders or carried from the river for miles in old oil drums. Now Tal and David discovered enough salvageable pipe to connect La Laja with a water main from San Felix. Thirty men from La Laja volunteered to dig trenches and lay the pipe. In a month the people of that dry barrio who had been spending up to one fifth of their meagre income for water at 32 cents a barrel could get all the water they wanted free at any of 13 public fountains.

Rodmar Pulley was largely responsible for choosing and directing many of these first years ACCION projects. He is now home to complete his education. But Rod is still working as assistant director, seeking financial aid and volunteer youth for 1963 Venezuela projects. They are planning for 100 volunteers.

Currently Joe Blatchford is visiting campuses in the Eastern part of America, and sending others to work with campuses in other parts of the nation. He is apopjionlxo,icadat-fa swnn aheeo also making financial appears for a larger operation in 1963.

Elder Rodmar Pulley wrote the Messenger a letter September 13, 1962. In this letter he says: "You asked about my missionary experience in Guatamala and Nic-

Claremont Ward

Fall Festival Dinner Theme

Fall Festival was theme of the Primary dinner and Relief Society bazaar held in Claremont Ward September 28. Many articles of handiwork, including embroidered and textile painted towels and pillow cases, quilts, stuffed toys, colorful Christmas items, and home-made baked goods were sold.

The Relief Society opening social was held September 25. A good crowd of ladies was present to hear a summary of the year's lessons, a reading by Rhean Griffin, and some musical numbers. A brunch was served by Tina Gregory and Merle Alleman.

Ernest Ahlborn has accepted the Superintendency of the YMMIA. One of his counselors will be Frank Williams.

September has been the month for weddings—three of them. Margaret DeLong and Jeff Millward were married on September 29 in the Los Angeles Temple. A reception will be held for them October 6 in Claremont Ward.

Rose Barry and Ron Blackburn were married by Bishop Wood September 29. La Vern Barry, Janice Jaeger, Judy Feeley, and Karen Feeley were attendants, and Charles Morgan served as best man. A reception followed the wedding.

Robin Stoddard and Richard Lee Sheppard were married September 6 by Bishop Wright. An open house was held for them in the Ward on the afternoon of September 29.

Anna and Joseph Edvalson became the parents of their sixth child and fifth boy during the past month.

Jeneal and Bob Willeson have recently had their third child—a boy.

Bert Jorgensen recently passed away. His funeral was conducted by the Northern California missionaries.

Phil Milward and Ross Ribarich were inducted into the Army during the past month. Phil is at Fort Ord, and Ross has been assigned to an Armored Division.

From The Bishop
During the past month we have filled twenty positions with new workers. We appreciate the response of the members to these callings. We would also like to welcome the new members coming into the Ward. We appreciate having them here and will put them to work in our ward soon.

Book Of Mormon Tour Planned

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Ten Alamedans At BYU and OCC

Returning to Brigham Young University for the fourth year is Allen Hunt of Alameda ward. Bonnie Buchan returns for the second year; and Alameda ward students starting their first year at the Y are: DeAnn Ekins, Ardis Bell, Marina Harrison, Karen DeCelle, Maude May Napoleon and Carl Fonoiomoana (Carl now lives in San Leandro ward).

Attending Oakland City college from Alameda are first year students Betty Jean Pappas and Dixie Collins.

aragua. I can only say that my missionary training was the best training in the world for my admonstration duties with ACCION.



RODMAR PULLEY of Palo Alto Stake, a returned LDS missionary to Guatemala, has joined with other young Californians to improve slum dwelling in South America. The story of ACCION is reported in the September Readers Digest.

"An Approach To Book of Mormon"

A Messenger reader would like to secure a copy of the pamphlet, "An Approach to the Book of Mormon," by Hugh Nibley. This pamphlet was studied by Melchizedek Priesthood quorums a few years ago. If anyone has a copy of this publication and would dispose of it for a fair price, please contact the Business Manager of The Messenger, I. B. Ball, 1962 Spruce Street, Berkeley 9. TH 8-81331.

Pakistan Navy Officer, Convert

Vasher. Ali Alvi of Karachi, a Pakistan Navy officer, who has been stationed at Treasure Island for advanced training, was baptized a member of the church and welcomed into the Berkeley Second ward in August.

Richmond Ward

Vacation Over, Back To School

By Clint Esperson

The ringing of school bells reminds us that vacation time has ended. To some it means back to school; to others back to work for another year. But the memories will linger on. The giant green cathedral of the ethereal redwood empire, the deep blue hue of Crater Lake; the majestic wonders of Yellowstone Park, the bubbling mud pots in Midway, Utah; all help remind us of the abundant blessings that are ours to enjoy as sons and daughters of a kind and loving Heavenly Father.

And it's back to the BYU for Susan Amtoft, Annette Morley, Vivian Morley and John Mass. John, a convert, will be working on his Master's Degree and has an invitation to teach Freshman English.

Enrolled at Contra Costa Junior College are: David Esperson, Ray Gilbert, Mike Jones, Ted McGhee, David Shore and Eddie Stone. Glenn Chman will be attending Claremont Men's College and Sharon Jones Utah State.

When Vic Petersen returns from Denmark where he has been spending his vacation, he will be the new Seminary teacher for Richmond Ward. "Vic" taught two years ago and will be remembered by many of his students. George Streble has been substituting.

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NADENE SORENSON of the Oakland Third ward will be married to Richard Oliver of Palo Alto in the Los Angeles Temple November 21.

Livermore Ward

Relief Society Bazaar Oct. 6

By Patricia Ihrig

Saturday, Oct. 6 is our Livermore ward date for the Relief Society Bazaar, this year being held at the Livermore Safeway store. Gift aprons will be the featured items with baby quilts, dish towels, pillow cases and hand-made jewelry and other gift-articles sharing the display tables. Work director Jane Davies is general chairman. A bake sale will also be offered.

The Livermore Relief Society will meet at the Forester's hall this year, beginning Oct. 3 with an opening social.

Monique Rollins replaced Carolyn Hayes as secretary of the Livermore ward Primary and JoAnn Neilson, Rhea Black and Beverly Behling are teachers for the Primary. And speaking of the Primary their Trailbuilder roundup and Lahoma Holiday were successful. The Primary Sunday evening program took on a new look, Sept. 30, with parents invited to witness the introduction of the new Primary-Home Partnership program.

Larry McGrew has been released as scoutmaster to take over the Explorer post. He will be assisted by Joe Osborne, Charles and Ann Smith are new MIA dance directors and Charles will also help with the Scout program. Margaret Adams is teaching the Laurels this year.

Val Black has been sustained as general secretary for Aaronic Priesthood over 21; Dennis Adams



BONNIE JO BRTAGNOLLI of Lafayette, California, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd A. Brtagnolli, will be married in early February in the LDS Temple, Salt Lake City, to Joe R. Zehrung, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Zehrung of Martinez, California. Miss Brtagnolli who is employed at the Bank of America, has served as Walnut Creek Stake Dance Director and Assistant District Dance Supervisor for district A of the MIA. Mr. Zehrung, a graduate of Alhambra high school, and a two-year student at Diablo Junior college, is employed at Mare Island Naval shipyard.

Brazil Visitor

Visiting the Harrison family of Alameda ward for the past month is Sister Harrison's niece, Vera Maria Mello, from Sao Paulo, Brazil. In her first visit to America she reports that she loves the country, the people, the language, and is happy to visit for two weeks.

LDS Restoration

A restoration program at the site of the Nauvoo Temple is uncovering the old footings. Archaeologists conducting the work are from the Southern Illinois University Museum. September 1st the governor of Illinois, dedicating a Nauvoo historical marker, paid high tribute to the LDS builders of Nauvoo.

will serve as president of the Deacons quorum, assisted by Bob Ruff and Peter Neilsen with Danny Thompson as secretary. Dick Duval and Gary Selby have been ordained Teachers; and George Bloun has been made a Deacon.

Bob and Doris Ensminger have a new girl, as do Joel and Janet Phelps. It's a new boy for Larry and Kay Rowley.

Two Farewell Testimonials At Castro Valley

By Afton Eageles

A farewell testimonial was held for Kenneth Driggs July 29 in the Castro Valley Chapel. Bishop Theodore Mudge officiated. An organ prelude was played by Brenda Rosencrans. Speakers were Dale Ramey, Elder Richard Driggs, and presentation by Bishop Mudge. Avocal solo was song by Blanche Blackburn. Elder Driggs left for the Mission Home Aug. 13 and was to report Aug. 20 to the Southwest British Mission Home. Before his call to the mission field he served as President of the 3rd Quorum of Elders, and also had served as the Assistant Athletic Director for the Stake. Those wishing to write to Elder Driggs can do so by sending to the following address: Southwest British Mission Wellhouse, 16 Ivywell Road, Snayd Park, Bristol 9, Gloucester, England.

A Farewell Testimonial was also held for Elder Stephen Richard Atwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abert Atwood, in the Castro Valley Chapel August 26. Bishop Theodore Mudge conducted. An organ prelude was played by Brenda Rosencrans. A scripture reading was given by Mrs. Sue Atwood, mother of Elder Atwood. A piano solo was given by his sister, Carla Atwood and remarks were by his father. Speakers for the occasion were Bishop Herman Christensen and Bishop Theodore Mudge and Steve. Elder Atwood reported to the Mission Home Sept. 10th and left for the Netherlands Sept. 17. According to J. Henry Volker, pres. of the Netherlands Mission, Elder Atwood will be connected with the New Holland Stake of Zion, which is the first Stake to be formed on the European Continent.

Elder Claude Brown was married in the Los Angeles Temple on Sept. 1, 1962 to Joan Elizabeth Turner of Albany. The couple met at B.Y.U. where they will return for the new semester; Claude will graduate in June. The wedding was attended by the parents of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Newman Brown, parents of the bride Mr. and Mrs. W. Turner of Albany, Mr. and Mrs. Bowen, the groom's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stamp of Oakdale and Mr. and Mrs. Dodge of Baldwin Park. Pres. Bowring of the Los Angeles Temple preformed the impressive ceremony. The couple are honeymooning in the Los Angeles area and in Carmel before returning to the bay area for their reception and before returning to Provo where they will make their home. A reception is to be held in their honor Sept. 7th in the Recreation Hall on Lincoln Ave.

Elder Dennis Sybrowsky was released from his Mission Sept. 7. He has been serving in the Central States Mission in Missouri, for the past two years. Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Sybrowsky, parents of the missionary will go to meet him in Salt Lake. Elder Sybrowsky was called to the mission field from Porand, Oregon, shortly before his parents moved to the Bay Area.

Bonnie Lee Horrigan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Horrigan of Castro Valley, will wed Mr. Larry M. Slade of Colorado in the Logan Temple on the 12th of Sept. Bonnie and Larry met while attending B.Y.U. they both sang in the choir. They are both Seniors at the Y. and will return to graduate in the spring.

Opening social for the Relief Society will be held on October 2. Larry and Afton Eages have been called to serve as the Era Directors for San Leandro Stake.

Attendance Up

The average church-wide attendance at LDS Sunday Schools for 208 stakes in 1933 stood at 33.2 per cent. This has increased over the years until the average attendance in the 338 stakes during the first two months of 1962 stands at 41.4 per cent—an increase of 8.2 per cent.



NANCY BAGNES and **JAMES R. LATHAM** were recently married at the Little Chapel of the Flowers in Berkeley. Nancy is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Bagnes; and James is son of Doctor and Mrs. Charles G. Latham of Salt Lake City. Bishop Duworth Jensen of University ward performed the ceremony.

Berkeley First

Sept. 10 Social Aids Missions

By Charlene Jensen

September 10, the ward had a successful combined pot luck social and missionary fund raising party. A special skit was presented and scenes were shown from the winning roadshow.

September 11, M.I.A. girls held their special honor night with mothers and fathers present to see the Bees build the hive, the Mia Maids tie their rose bouquet and the Laurels wreath the Laurel. The Mia Maids presented retiring president Janet Clyde with the lovely bouquet and welcomed Kay Duker in with a "future promise" bouquet. Sister Clyde congratulated the girls and Sister Duker gave some goals on friendship for the future. Theme for the evening was "Friendship Ship."

Also released with Sister Clyde was Beryl Harmon. Sister Duker's counselors are Helen Kingdon, age group and Marge Sabine, activity. Nan Hunter is the new music director, Donald and Mae Roberts, new dance directors, drama is Myrna Robertson. The new activity counselor for the Young Men's M.I.A. is Bob Sloan. Bill Radcliff is the new Explorer leader.

The Relief Society presidency has also been reorganized. Retiring is Violet Knight and the new president is Margaret Fife. She will retain the same counselors: Roma Sabine and Thelma Gardner.

The seminary is under way with Russell Ball, son of I. B. Ball, instructor. The subject is the Book of Mormon.

The boys who are scout age went to Camp Lahona, to help close the camp for the summer.

New Sunday School chorister is Martha Ball. Janet Sloan and Janette Perry are teachers. Janet Clyde is the new Merrimands teacher for Primary.

Berkeley First welcomes some new people: Bruce and Gloria Walter plus three children; Cleo Bowman and her son Larry; Kent and Rene Jarman and their child, Boyd and Sally Applegarth and two children; David and Ann Montague plus two children; Janette Perry and son David; Hazel Plummer; Gary and Lynn Anderson, plus their son; Richard and Nan Hunter; Robert and Janet Sloan; Jay and Martha Ball; Donald and Mae Roberts, plus one; David and Joy Evans and their six children; Andrew and Sharon Christensen

Alameda Ward

Elders Confirm 2 New Members

By Lue Seavers and Violet Pinckney

Stanley Ray Watkins and his wife Shirley Ann were baptized and confirmed members of the church by Elder Morton Sparks and Elder Paul Sedlow. Also confirmed was Deborah June Gardner by her father Samuel Vernon Gardner of Alameda ward.

Blessed in Alameda ward were: Hafa Su'e Su'e by Bishop Pinckney; Olita Leata Su'e Su'e by William Schow; and Elizabeth Olita Su'e Su'e by George Collins.

On Aug. 19 Kerry Ekins was ordained a teacher; and Sonya Ekins and Terry Miner were graduated from Primary.

We are sorry to learn of the passing of Brian Pope's father. The sympathy of the Ward goes to Brian and his family.

Flying recently to Alaska to attend to some business and see her husband, Glendon, was Pearl Clark.

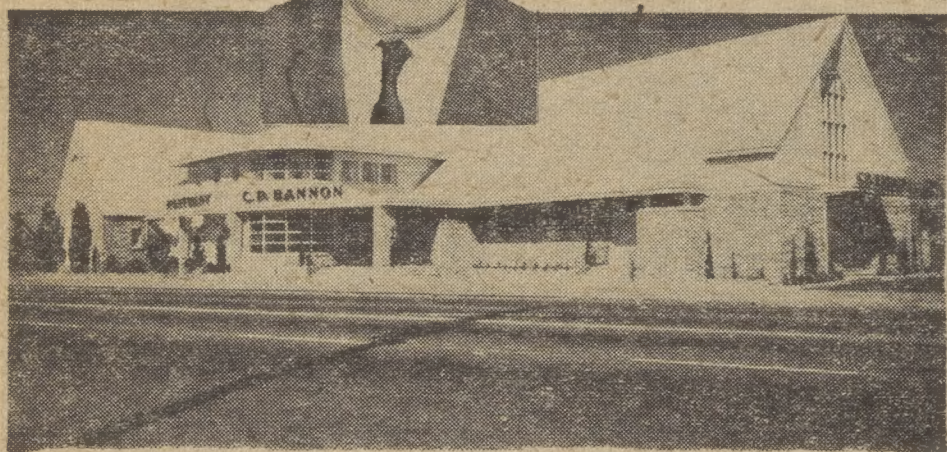
Sister Amelia Everett from Salt Lake City, formerly of Alameda ward, was recently visiting in Oakland, regretted that she didn't get to Alameda. But, she left her best wishes to her many friends here. She also brought greetings from Mildred Fontano, who is still under-going treatments but is improving.

plus two children; and welcome to Charlie and Jean Prosser who are back from the military. Special congratulations and welcome to Pat Anderson who was recently baptized into the Church.

Leaving Berkeley First ward are Victor and Jean Fraenkel who purchased a home in Concord; Les and Judy Babbitts, who transferred to San Leandro and Bart and Shanna Czlar who moved to Washington where Bart is teaching at the University of Washington at Seattle. Thanks to Annette Christopherson who has been teaching a Sunday School class this summer while working here. Annette lived with her relatives, the Sabines. She is returning to Salt Lake City.

New students going to Brigham Young University are Janet Williams, Martha Duker, Jocelyn and Richard Kingdon, Buckley Rose, Norma Delgado, and Rick Arnold. Miriam Osmond and Steve Bailey are also returning after one semester here last year. Lynn Mahoney is going to the University of Utah.

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Walnut Creek
Explorers Have
Active Summer
George Spear and Reed Schow, Advisors to the Explorer Post of Walnut Creek Ward, report a very active summer. May 18 & 19 started the Kayak trips on the Mokelumne River near Penn Mine. This served as the training for future trips. On July 5, 6, & 7 they held their Slalom run, which Norman Spencer won. August 3 & 4 the boys shared with their families camping plus Kayak runs down the rapids. Those taking part in most of these activities were: Alan Mayfield, Derrell & Jan Dalby B&I Cottle, Bob Jensen, Russell Krey, Dennis Bledsoe, Milton Clark, Dennis Clark, David Skidmore, Norman Rounds, Norman Spencer, Calvin Finell, Grant Harris & Val Thomas. Brother Dalby was the photographer on the trip. September 21 & 22 boys who qualified enjoyed a trip to the Pardee Dam. To help finance their future trip to Japan the Explorers are now selling apples.
The MIA opening social was Tuesday, September 11. New officers and teachers to greet the young ladies were Leona Dehlin, Age Group Counselor, Buelah Wilde, First Year Beehive; Hatch, Sports Director. Honor Sally night was held September 25. Half of the girls qualified for individual awards. They were: Susan

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line Rounds, Judy Green, Keena
Krey, Marcia Jensen, Portia Pyle,
Celia Snell, and Anita Bledsoe.
MIA officers and teachers en-
joyed an evening social at the
home of Barbara Dalby, the
Young Women's president.
Marcia Jensen was presented a
book from the Junior Sunday
School in appreciation for her
services as Chorister. Marcia is
attending the B.Y.U. others from
our ward enrolled at the Y are:
Diane Skidmore, Bruce and Rus-
sel Muir, Pat Lee, Steve Hilton,
Carolyn Jones and Russel Blake.
Off to other colleges and Univer-
sities were Mike Lee, University of
Utah, Kay Christiansen, Fresno
State, Sidney Rogers, Stanford
and John Rogers University of
California.
Don Jewkes and Larry Schow
returned home after serving six
weeks in the Naval Reserve. They
have been studying Electronics in
the Submarine division.
The Elders Quorum held a
Steak Fry on Mt. Diablo Septem-
ber 7—for seventeen couples.
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wonderful, and steak delicious.
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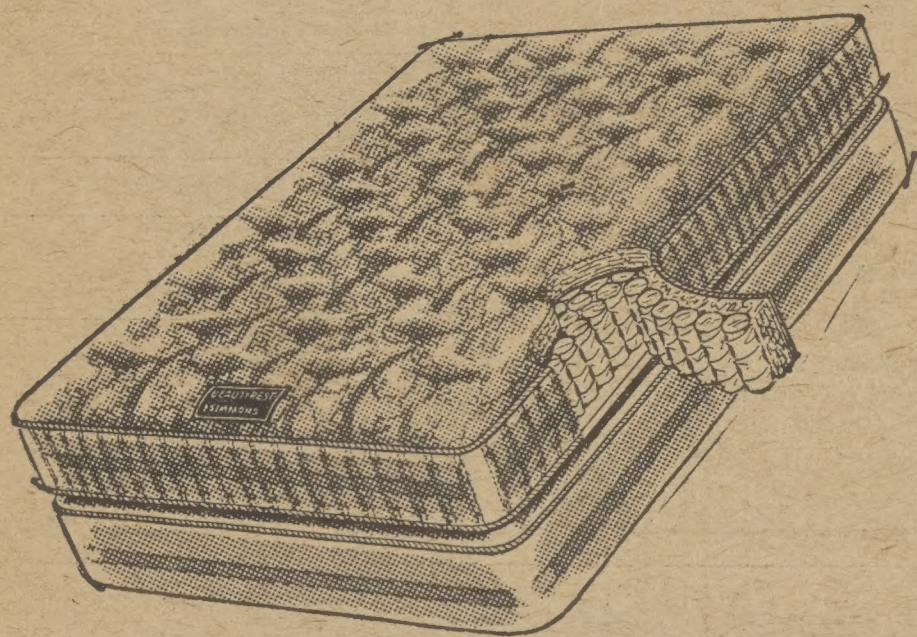
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